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In re application of:

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For: CHEMOKINE RECEPTOR

Art Unit: 1614

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/686,020, filed October 10, 2000, which claims benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/159,015, filed October 12, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/159,210, filed October 13, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/172,979, filed December 20, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/173,388, filed December 28, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/186,626, filed March 3, 2000. The disclosure of each of the aforementioned applications is expressly incorporated herein by reference in its entirety and for all purposes.

REMARKS

The amendments made to this application are for solely for the purpose of clarifying the priority claimed by this application. The parent application (U.S. Patent Application No. 09/686,020) was previously incorporated by reference on the transmittal document. This amendment adds no new matter.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made".

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

The paragraph beginning at line 11, page 1 has been amended as follows:

This application [claims priority to U.S. provisional patent application nos. 60/159015 (filed October 12, 1999), 60/159210 (filed October 13, 1999), 60/172979 (filed December 20, 1999, 60/173388 (filed December 28, 1999) and 60/186626 (filed March 3, 2000).] is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/686,020, filed October 10, 2000, which claims benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/159,015, filed October 12, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/159,210, filed October 13, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/172,979, filed December 20, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/173,388, filed December 28, 1999, and U.S. Provisional Patent Application 60/186,626, filed March 3, 2000. The disclosure of each of the aforementioned applications is expressly incorporated herein by reference in its entirety and for all purposes.